**To:** Ferguson, Ralph[Ferguson.Ralph@epa.gov]

Cc: Milbeck, Regina[Milbeck.Regina@epa.gov]; Spelman, John[Spelman.John@epa.gov]

From: Phillips, John

Sent: Thur 8/13/2015 3:23:20 PM Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Yeah. I know Missy was going to reach out tomorrow, but figured I would go ahead and just send something given the emails going back and forth with OB.

From: Ferguson, Ralph

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 10:19 AM

To: Phillips, John

Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Agreed. We can likely wait to see what comes of our afternoon meeting. Glad we addressed this sooner than later.

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From: Phillips, John

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 10:17 AM

To: Ferguson, Ralph

Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John

Subject: FW: SSID for Gold King - update

Ralph,

I'm flexible regarding the budget org charging. Just want to make sure we're consistent, and don't get penalized by OB down the road. Looks like Laura's now questioning the reason for multiple site codes as well.

From: Phillips, John

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 10:02 AM To: Ripley, Laura; Blackman, Richard Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Laura/Richard,

I wanted to reach out to you all on another issue that came up. We'll (Region 7) be supporting Region 6 during the response and charging to their site code (at least for now). The question that we (Region 7) have is whether we should be charging to a Region 6 budget org as well (assuming we'll be using their site code). We (Region 7) were thinking we should charge to a Region 7 budget org and Region 6's site code, but I'm not sure my counterparts in the other regions agree with this approach. We're (Region 7) concerned that if we charge another regions budget org, it will create problems with utilization for both regions that we may be penalized for down the road. Maybe I'm overthinking this.

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Lenexa, KS 66219 Work: 913-551-7014 Cell: 913-544-6973 Fax: 913-551-9014 Email: phillips.john@epa.gov From: Ripley, Laura Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 9:56 AM To: Bielenberg, Ben; Ferguson, Ralph; Wood, David; Blackman, Richard Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John; Phillips, John; Wilbur, Jennifer; Burnham, Larry Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update Ben: I'm confused as to why there are two SSIDs. I would think that there was only one release and the Site/Project established should be for that 'one release'. And if you have a SOP on your structure, then I would agree you should stick to that structure. It would be helpful if someone from OSWER and/or the EOC provided some specific instructions so that we have this documented in the future. Thanks! --Laura

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From: Bielenberg, Ben

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 10:32 AM

To: Ferguson, Ralph; Wood, David; Blackman, Richard; Ripley, Laura

Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John; Phillips, John

Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Hi All,

To clarify from my perspective I think we all have our SSID's, we just need to clarify where folks are working and for whom. For example, anyone deploying for R8, will be charging R8...we had and R1 and R3 person deploy yesterday and today and they will be charging to R8 accounts since they are part of the R8 IMT structure. That info is in our deployment guide when the resource is requested by the IC and Area Commander. That's what we've done during past responses when requesting support resources from other orgs and I'm thinking we stick with that.

Richard and Laura...FYI...we're working on an overall funds request to OSWER for assistance in Pay, travel and contracts. Should be done soon. We've let Maria know earlier this week as well as Josh Woodyard in OSWER.

BB

From: Ferguson, Ralph

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 8:19 AM

**To:** Bielenberg, Ben; Wood, David **Cc:** Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John

Subject: FW: SSID for Gold King - update

Good Morning Gentlemen,

I contacted Richard yesterday and we spoke this morning. I tried to address our questions to him as best as possible...if I missed something please let me know and I will send forward. Hopefully they can provide some answers before our meeting today.

Thanks,

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From: Ferguson, Ralph

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 7:39 AM

To: Blackman, Richard

Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Richard,

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From: Blackman, Richard

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 6:32 AM

To: Ferguson, Ralph

Subject: FW: SSID for Gold King - update

From: Blackman, Richard

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 7:31 AM

**To:** Ripley, Laura; Nguyen, Khanh **Cc:** Layman, Joseph; Volin, Phyllis

Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Laura,

Question from Region 6.

When Region 8 or 7 people provide support (On-scene coordinators or scientists or whatever) to Region 6, should Region 6 pay for this (and charge the Region 6 accounting info) or should Region 7 or 8 be bearing the cost?

Part of the concern is how we'll be reporting on this later and the end-of-year payroll snapshot.

The three regions have been conducting daily meetings & there's no consistency in how they charge. The three regions have separate site IDs for their own issues (Region 6 is A6L9, Region 7 doesn't have one—they are charging to Region 6's; Region 8 has one, but he doesn't know what it is. Region 9 will also create one since they are responsible for the Navajo nation which is impacted).

bottom line, sounds like OSWER (or somebody) needs to coordinate asap.

richard